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1. The Mozgos coal mine is located approximately eleven kilometers northwest of Dimitrovgrad (formerly Caribrod). The village of Mozgos is situated one kilometer east of the mine and Brebevnice is one kilometer south of the mine. The local inhabitants are Bulgarians. The mine has its own directorate which is subordinate to the Ministry of Mines of the Republic of Serbia in Belgrade.
2. The average daily output during 1949 and January to April 1950, inclusive, was forty tons. The coal is consigned to the Dimitrovgrad railroad loading station and from there is sent by rail directly to Nis, Pirot, and Dimitrovgrad for consumption by local industries.
3. The major part of the coal deposits are located in Bulgarian territory and are mined by open cast methods. In 1949, the Bulgarian Government constructed a number of coal brickette plants and a narrow gauge railroad line which connects the open cast workings with the main railroad line which runs through Dragoman. The junction is located immediately east of Dragoman.
4. The total reserves are as follows:
 - a. On Yugoslav territory - Approximately 28 million tons.
 - b. On Bulgarian territory - In 1949, Engineer Todorov estimated the reserve to be 60 million tons.
5. The main factors limiting the output are:
 - a. Shortage of manpower.
 - b. Lack of necessary equipment and machinery.
 - c. Shortage of motor transport.
6. Developments
 - a. A new macadam surfaced road, four kilometers long, connecting the mine with Dimitrovgrad has been constructed.

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- b. Construction of new directorate offices and a bunker at the mine.
 - c. The mine received five additional trucks.
 - d. There have been no plans made for increasing the output or for new developments because of the close proximity of the mine to the Bulgarian border.
7. The mine has its own power plant equipped with a steam powered generator and an alternator aggregate of 150 PS.
8. During 1949, the mine employed approximately 250 miners and surface workers, and administrative staff of 25. The mine operates three 8-hour shifts per day, six days per week. Living conditions are below average because the mine has no workers' colony.
9. The mine Militia consists of four men. Gora Lukanskij, a Bulgarian, is the mine director.

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